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come harmonious and peaceful. Certam members of Congress, who have a great deal to say about what they call, "mixed schools," are very glad to go to a mixed Congress. The fact is, the opposition of many people against sending their children celebrated are Saint Joseph's College and springs from a foolish whim. So long as they cannot get too near these people of strong prejudices. They like to have them in their parlors, dining rooms and klichen .-They have no objection to sitting on the same seat in the car, or even in church, provided they are servants. A colored boy may stay all day in the school room, and tend the fire, and not a word is said against it. But school as a scholar, it is a dreadful thing; bas, and a large number have no connection and wise members of Congress say it would break up our public schools! What will our National Legislature do in this matter? Will they, in order to indulge their foolish, ludicrous spirit of caste, make provision, in certain cases, to establish separate schools? If people will not send their children to schools where colored children go, then let them cause certain persons have foolish, absurd lic schools in truth and reality. They should pulled about until, in desperation, he will be open to all who wish to acquire knowledge. to get some rest. Our law-makers should enact laws for the is surely too late for class legislation.

Southern people, as in the past, would acqui-

colored children. But if there is not this time enough yet. number of children, no provision is made for a school.

Now, there are hundreds of townships in which there is not the requisite number for a school; and these thousands of colored children are deprived of the means of an education. Thousands of colored men are required to pay taxes to support schools for white of "Wm. J. Stevens," of Selma, Alabama, children to school. What an outrage on me as being "about thirty-five years old." me as being "about thirty-five years old." While "old age is honorable," I desire to

Modifying the bill so as to make provision stituent, (who would have me to be older.) in certain cases for separate schools would By publishing this card you will confer a in certain cases for separate schools would be only cutting off some of the branches of favor on me. Respectfully, their gigantic evil. The root must be re-moved and destroyed. To do this the bill

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would like to hear from old Kentucky. Though I feel my inability to write an interesting letter, yet I shall attempt to make it readable.

Bardstown is situated about forty miles southeast of Louisville, and is one of the healthiest places in the State; it has several flourishing schools in and near it: the most to a school, where there are colored pupils, Nazareth Academy, both Catholic. The colored people have but one school here, negroes are acting in the capacity of servants, taught by a colored teacher, and they exhibit an unwillingness to patronize this one, that is truly reprehensible; and it is a lamentable fact that a great many of our people will send their children to a school taught by a white person in preference to sending them to a colored teacher, no matter what his qualifications are. I give this as an instance, the Sisters of a Catholic school have twice as if the same boy takes his books and goes to many colored scholars as the colored teacher

with their church. The political cauldron is boiling fiercely in offices are numerous, although all are Democrats. I expect the colored voter will be

Such has been my experience in the past, people and not laws for certain classes. It and the nauseous odor of the negro is for- behaved indiscreetly, and done what is pergotten until after the battle. The Republi- feetly fashionable in some of the gay cities to America we shall not be turned out of In Missouri, the school law provides, it cans have not a single man in the race for an of the East, does that justify the writer in there are more than fifteen colored children office. I don't know whether they are going using such sweeping language? Where is in a congressional township, that certain to keep off the track, or are just waiting for a his logic? Where is his "common sense?" school officers shall establish a school for more opportune time. However, there is Ishe learned in that valuable science? Mr.

Yours, very respectfully, L. S. SLAUGHTER.

From Alabama. EUFAULA, Feb. 17, 1874.

To the Editor of the New National Era and Citizen: Will you be so kind as to correct the erro children, and yet are not allowed to send their who, in his biographical sketch of me, classed thus trampled upon, there would be a cry of inform "Wm. J. Stevens," and the readers indignation throughout the entire country .- of your valuable paper, that I am not twenty-This case alone shows the necessity of the eight years old yet. I ask this favor as a subscriber, and for the satisfaction of my con-

A. E. WILLIAMS.

GENTLEMEN: We would beg your indulgence that we may be allowed to correct the language in which we have made Mr. Frederick Douglass to say, when once visiting our University, that "the worst school is the best school." Highly appreciating the authority of a man whose wisdom, eloquence and usefulness have been so potent for good to the cause of humanity, we could not-we would not by any means misrepresent him

It is proverbial in these parts that Mr. Douglass was known to say that "the best school oftimes becomes the worst school"his explanation of the same affording general

A careful scrutiny of this remarkable language readily demonstrates the plea which Wilberforce makes in her own behalf. RADICAL.

## From Ohio.

To the Editor of the New National Era and Cilizen: Allow me, if you please, to reply to our county; the Democrats are preparing to an article that appeared in your paper have a county convention next Monday to paper a few days ago. I feel it my duty, as elect delegates to their State convention. a student of the University, and being one Excitement runs very high among them. of the young ladies, to deny the assertion Each is confident that his man will be in- that has been circulated about the conduct structed to cast the vote of the county for of the young ladies of Wilberforce Uni- be able to redeem them. To me it is rather this or that man, and I anticipate a lively versity. It grieved me sadly to thiak that strange why a Republican Congress will not schools. Surely colored people should not be obliged to keep their children at home, beit were true, instead of blazing it before the the Declaration of Independence calls "inwhole world, some other effort should have alienable," We would prefer to have them been made to rectify the moral conduct of come without the passage of the bill, but, the young ladies of this University. Ad- since they won't come, let us have the bill mitting that one or two young ladies have passed immediately by all means. Editor, there are young ladies here from the East, West, North and South of high moral standing, and before they would dare to do that which is contrary to the laws of propriety, Mr. Editor, they would rather dieves, die first.

We young ladies of Wilberforce are here to improve our minds, to become intelligent women, to prepare ourselves to go forth into the world to instruct those who have not the means, and who have not kind friends and parents to send them to a place of learning. We are not, nor yet do we intend to be like the beautiful butter-fly, flying from flower to flower, sipping the sweet honey from therein. But we are like the busy bee, always seeking, always desiring, always intending to de batever we find to do that will be for good; endeavoring to elevate our race.

And instead of being so divided as the black people are at this present day to con-) and obstacles to contend against.

men as Mr. Summer, Mr. Elliott, Mr. Fines-back, and Mr. Wall, may we not hope for the laws and some rights in the United States? Let us all do what we can to sustain these men in Congress who are so nobly pleading for humanity, the cause of justice and truth. Let us, as with one voice, appea daily from our closets, our family altars, our churches, and school-houses, unto Him who delivered the Israelites from Egyptian bondage, and pray Him, to whom our fathers trusted, to right their wrongs, that He may give wisdom and strength to the advocates of truth in Congress, so they may prevail against those men who are such slaves to party prejudice that they will not see the image of the Creator stamped upon creatures of darker hue than themselves. The proscription which colored men and women have to suffer in America is a stigma upon the country and an ontrage upon humanity; it hinders the wheel of progress, and tends to inculcate in the rising generation false impressions which must be conducive of evil to the races, and therefore the Government of

the United States. And who are they that

are doing this evil? Such men as followed

Government and the rights which wicked

We have raised already seven thousan

pounds sterling for Jubilee Hall, and hope,

by the 31st of March, to raise the amount to

ten thousand pounds sterling, after which

time we expect to give some benefit concerts

for the singers—one each—and sail from Liv-erpool for home about the 5th of May. By

the help of God we have endeavored to rep-

resent faithfully our race in the United

States, but shall say nothing of how success

ful we have been ; it will tell for itself in the

future, and I trust very favorably for a race

which is trying to rise with many oppositions

men are seeking to overthrow.

after Jeff. Davis when he established the Confederacy. These arch traitors are paying their gratitude to the Government in Confederate bonds with earnest hope that they will that we are denied the common rights which the commerce of the country. And when the nation plants itself upon the solid rock of a currency based upon the credit and re-sources of the nation, upon real values, we can have peace and prosperity, and not till I shall pray and trust that when we return hotels as we were in New Jersey, nor out of the little dirty waiting-room (since it is all they have) at Louisville, Kentucky. I should

The circulation of the United States, the currency, never was and never can be specie alone. The mixed character of specie and shills of banks, based upon the specie or bullion, has in it neither stability nor security—so ur whole history has proved this. To be sure we have again and again made believe specie payment, and always humbugged and sfeeced the people, weighing down all our industries, and at every decade of about twelve years, had the fallacy and unsoundness of this false system demonstrated, by its entire failure and panic.

These panies, which always serve to rob labor and benefit idle and usuriously employed spital could not occur under the operation of the solid system advocated by alabor reformers.

The specie-basis system may, with great prefer to remain in England and enjoy my manhood and evade the low prejudice which Americans of my caste are subject to, but when I remember that I have a vote, I feel it my duty and privilege to cast it with my brethren and fellow-citizens to protect the

stitute, November, 1873.

It must be conceded that transportation,

reaches all classes and pursuits.

The evils which have grown up in connection with transportation, have at last begun to shake the foundation and stir the hearts

operation of the solid system advocated by labor reformers.

The specie-basis system may, with great propriety, be called an ignus fatuus. It has the same relation to our actual condition as it he apex hears to the base of a pyramid. As early as 1865 I had occasion to publish a criticism upon Mr. McCullough, then about to be clothed with the power of Secretary of the Treasury, in the hope to save the country from the infliction of so unqualified a person. I quote here a few sentences from that publication: "How easy it is to say that paper currency should be converted into coin."

And how utterly absurd it is to attempt

nic Branch of the American Inin all its various forms and phases, is next to agriculture the largest interest employing

Any circumstances which operate to advance or lessen the cost of this vast interest to shake the foundation and stir the hearts of the people, and if not eradicated, will utterly overthrow the Government.

The time has come when the people demand that their public highways, canals and railroads shall be subject to more governmental control, and so operated that all may equally share the benefit without special advantage to any class.

The conviction is fast taking hold on the popular mind, that capital invested in public popular mind, that capital invested in public highways should not be permitted to make profit at all, and to be allowed only such

that publication: "How easy it is to say that paper currency should be converted into coin."

And how utterly absurd it is to attempt the invention of a system by which such a conversion shall be made possible. What

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general credit system to supply the other nine-tenths; and that the stability of this nine-tenths may be disturbed by a breath, a war at home or abroad, an election or by other disturbing causes, the absolute necessity of the inauguration of a common-sense plan such as advocated by labor reformers, is clear.

The astute employees of the usurious cleases make their special pleas, fill our presses and magazines with illogical and ridiculous arguments. They tell us that "before the war the whole amount of gold and silver was but 200 or 300 millions which could in time of general prosperity and peaces upport a circulation of 2 or 3 times more in bills of banks; that the quantity now is greater than it was then, and argue that such a system is the only one, and is altogether best. That it assimilates the currency to the world's standard. Monarchy advocates the system; it perpetuates Monarchy, and aids the few to rob the many. That "it is a latogether the best and only system;" that every other is inflation, and that by prudence and ceasing to overtrade the nation will get be at an early day to get back to specie.

Carolina party, he declared, depended upon its mestant reform of existing abases. A great change was taking place in the politics of the country, and it was useless for them to shut their eyes to the fact. If you go to the south Carolina, you will find the estimate south Carolina, you will find the estimate south Carolina, you will find the estimate south Carolina, it was laid to the blame of a negro Government. It was spoken of in South Carolina, it was laid to the blame of a negro Government. It was therefore, the duty of the colored people of South Carolina to demonstrate to the world that they did something to remove this stigna. Conflicting, (we quote from the column of the colored people of South Carolina is to ment the street. If you go to the colored they will put upon it them to shut their eyes to the fact. If you go to the south Carolina, you will find the estimate south Carolina, you will find t

ighways should not be permitted to make profit at all, and to be allowed only such returns as can be found in the average annual increase of the wealth of the people in all other pursuits now about 3 per cent. per annum

I venture to assert that, when railroads and canals are built with convertible bonds, bearing not exceeding 3 65-100 interest, the entire railroad business can be done at one-half the present charges, and that the high rate of interest due to our present financial system, is the primal cause of not only the railroad demoralization everywhere existing, but of the panic which is now outworking its terrible effects upon all our industries, and the commerce of the country. And when can use. It is ridiculous to prate about indiation, the "stoot thief cry."

Under the true system, there never can be
too much money. Our true policy as a nation
is to stimulate production, and, if possible,
over production, compelling us to find a fereign market, and thus turn the balance of
trade in favor of our own country. These
considerations seem never to enter into the
discussion of those paid scribblers, whose first
and only purpose would to be to promote the
schemes of those idle speculators for whose
sole interest most of them write.

There are other opponents to this system.
They are the wordy speculators and the
silent intriguers, who work hand in hand, and
always manage to be the power behind the
throne, which generally manages to gloss
over and whitewash positive causes while
they promise—they deny positive needs—always referring in a most patriotic manner to
our great resources, yet taking the best possible care to control and stulify said resources,
though the power to change and hold the ebb
and flow of capital, until all these facts, never
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of this more than a year ago; this was
no new thing. One thing he knew—that,
in a fight to petition under the constitution, and
when it came it would come from his constitution, and
when it came it would come from his constitution, and
when it came it would come from his constitution of the was bound to have it properly referred.

That petition under the considered; and do not
allow yourself to be missed about it. The
only way you can prove that you aympathize
with a honest administrati